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FOR: PLANARIZING METHOD OF SEMICONDUCTOR  
WAFER AND APPARATUS THEREOF

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 10 sheets of ☐ formal ☐ informal drawings.
- ☒ A Notice of Priority to claim priority date of July 27, 2000.
- ☒ Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement with Form 1449.
- ☐ Applicant requests non-publication.
- ☐ Applicant is a small entity.
- ☒ An Executed Declaration

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